

ASSESSMENT GUIDANCE FOR RESIDENTIALLY PLACED STUDENTS

Local Education Agencies (LEA's) are responsible to ensure that students placed in residential programs in Vermont, either by state agencies and approved through the Case Review Committee, or by the school district through the IEP process, are assessed with the same grade level assessments that their public school peers are assessed with, such as the New England Common Assessment Program (NECAP).

We will commence sending placement notification letters to the responsible school district principals for those general education students approved by the Case Review Committee placed in residential settings in Vermont in order to help schools plan for each student assessment as needed.

We will continue notifying special education directors of special education eligible students they are responsible for, who have been placed in Vermont residential programs through state agencies.

School districts are responsible to track their own IEP students they have placed in residential programs in Vermont, and to ensure appropriate assessment occurs.

Please note these requirements do not apply to students placed in out of state residential programs. These students are supposed to be assessed by the state in which they are placed.

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